News Advisory



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Major Announcement on Preservation of Wild and Scenic River Corridor

Proposition 40 Bond Funds Protect South Yuba River

WHAT: Announcement and tour of spectacular forest and river canyon parklands to be

added to the South Yuba River State Park corridor near Grass Valley.

This is an example of how public agencies, a timber company, and private groups and individuals, can work together to acquire more than 700 acres of pristine and scenic river corridor. This area is one of the most beautiful and popular river canyon recreation areas in the Sierra foothills. **Excellent photo opportunities.**

WHEN: Tuesday, September 30th

12 PM – Refreshments and music.1 PM – Announcement and dedication.

WHERE: South Yuba River State Park – Bridgeport area.

Take I-80 East to Auburn. Exit at Hwy 49, go to Grass Valley. Take Hwy 20 West at the Empire Mine exit. Head toward Marysville. After 7 miles, turn right on

Pleasant Valley Road. Continue to park entrance, about 15 minutes down

Pleasant Valley Road on left.

WHO: Mary Nichols, Secretary of Resources, State of California

Ruth Coleman, Director, California State Parks

Red Emmerson, Sierra Pacific Industries Dave Sutton, The Trust for Public Land

Michael Killigrew, South Yuba River Citizens League

Shawn Garvey, The Sierra Fund

Ray Patton, Superintendent, California State Parks ##

